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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6856

BILL NUMBER: HB 1925

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 20, 2002

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: East Chicago school board elections.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Aguilera

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill provides for the submission of a local public question to the voters of East Chicago concerning whether the governing body of the East Chicago public schools should be changed. The bill provides that if the voters approve the public question, the governing body will consist of six members elected by all the voters of the city and three members appointed by the mayor. It provides other details of the organization of the governing body.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Summary:* If the membership of the governing body is expanded by four members, the School City of East Chicago could require expenditures of at least \$8,000 plus per diem allowance, expenses, and medical coverage. There would be no additional expense to the Lake County Election Board for posting the public question on the ballot.

Background: Currently, the School City of East Chicago governing body has five members. Compensation of governing body members includes a maximum salary of approximately \$2,000 per year and an additional \$62 per diem for every special or committee meeting assignment, not to exceed a maximum compensation of approximately \$3,000 per year. One additional member could earn a maximum of \$5,000 (\$2,000 for regular and \$3,000 for special or committee meetings) in a given year. If four members earned the maximum amount, total expenditures would be \$20,000 (\$5,000 X 4).

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: The School City of East Chicago, Lake County Board of Elections.

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